

MINUTES
SANDY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Sandy City Hall - Council Chamber Room #211
10000 Centennial Parkway
Sandy, Utah 84070

May 20, 2008

*****PLANNING MEETING*****

- A. Administrative Report [5:24:29 PM](#)
- B. Budget Presentations
 - a. Legal Department
 - b. Public Utilities
 - i. Metro Water presentation [5:32:58 PM](#)
 - ii. Public Utilities budget [5:44:39 PM](#)
 - c. City Council [6:29:03 PM](#)
- C. Questions of Council regarding 2008-2009 Budgets [6:47:15 PM](#)

*****CITY COUNCIL MEETING*****

[7:07:14 PM](#) Meeting was commenced at 7:07 p.m.

PRESENT:

Council Members: Chairman Chris McCandless, Vice Chairman Scott Cowdell, Bryant Anderson, Linda Martinez Saville, Stephen Smith, and Dennis Tenney

Others in Attendance: CAO Byron Jorgenson; City Attorney Walter Miller; Community Development Director Mike Coulam; Public Utilities Public Works Director Rick Smith; Deputy to the Mayor John Hiskey; Police Chief Stephen Chapman; Assistant Fire Chief Richard Lyman; Parks & Recreation Director Nancy Shay; Administrative Services Director Art Hunter; Director of Human Resources Brian Kelley; Parks Superintendent Dan Medina; Council Office Director Phil Glenn; Council Executive Secretary Wendy Densley

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Mayor Dolan – Business; Steve Fairbanks - illness

- [7:07:23 PM](#) 1. **OPENING REMARKS/PRAYER/PLEDGE:**
The Prayer was offered by Dan Medina, and the Pledge was led by Richard Lyman.

- [7:09:14 PM](#) 2. **CITIZEN(S) COMMENTS:**
- a. **Mike Landry**, 812 East 8230 South, explained that he is concerned about police traffic units in his neighborhood. He reported that there was some recent crime near his home in Sandy, and explained that several storage units were broken into near 700 East and 8200 South. He is concerned that the police officers are patrolling more neighborhoods than needed. He is also concerned with the City's idea of changing the perception of Sandy City through new logos and slogans, he feels that these changes do not compensate for a government which he feels writes too many traffic tickets.

PUBLIC HEARING(S):

- [7:13:43 PM](#) 3. **Budget Presentations Overview [Ref: Agenda Items #7 -11]**
Public Hearing to open the Sandy City Budget for FY2007-2008 and to consider adopting the Sandy City budgets for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2009, including budgets for: the General Fund, the CDBG Operating Fund, Capital Projects Funds, Debt Service Funds, Landscape Maintenance SID Fund, Special Revenue Funds and various proprietary funds of the City, and a schedule of fees and charges.

Discussion:

Administrative Services Director Art Hunter presented a power point summary of the proposed budget for Fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2009. **See "Exhibit A."** Essentially, this was about the same budget presentation that was presented for the Tentative Budget adoption on April 29, 2008, with a few minor adjustments and corrections that have been included in "Exhibit A."

Chairman McCandless opened the public hearing for public comments. No comments were made; the Chairman closed the public hearing.

Council questions:

[7:56:13 PM](#) **Scott Cowdell** expressed his appreciation to the Budget Committee and the Department Heads for their hard work during this budget process. He reported that he has recently read in the paper and has seen reports from other cities; some of which are considering raising taxes, and have been having employee freezes and employee cut backs. He feels that Sandy is continuing to make a positive statement to the Citizens and employees, and doing this as one of the lowest taxing cities shows we are doing something right. He would like to see the City continue to increase the Fund Balance.

Mr. Cowdell asked if Mr. Hunter could explain in more detail the golf course shop revenues.

Art Hunter explained that the revenues have increased because they have sold more products, making the costs of goods sold increase also.

[8:00:31 PM](#) **Linda Martinez Saville** echoed Mr. Cowdell's remarks on the fund balance, and expressed her thanks to Art Hunter and the budget staff.

[8:00:57 PM](#) **Bryant Anderson** asked Mr. Hunter if the new hotels would help cover the costs, of the Inn Keepers Bond, that the City is currently paying.

Art Hunter reported that the proposed budget will help cover the Inn Keepers bond costs. He reported that each hotel adds about \$50 thousand in revenue to the City, which is what is projected for the new hotels.

Bryant Anderson feels that the city should look into increasing the fund balance also, and complimented the staff on their hard work. He expressed his appreciation to the Department heads for keeping their budgets low, and making it possible to keep the taxes low.

[8:04:59 PM](#) **Dennis Tenney** thanked the administration for being responsive to the recent bonus concerns and feels that they have narrowed the gaps in that bonus program. He thanked the department heads for helping create programs and incentives for making the employees want to go the extra mile. He thinks that the City is well managed which substantially reduces the turnover rate. He agrees that over time the Fund Balance needs to be increased.

[8:09:11 PM](#) **Steve Smith** thanked Art Hunter and his staff for their efforts in creating the budget, he appreciates the skill of the staff and complemented them on their tremendous job.

[8:10:11 PM](#) **Chris McCandless** suggested waiting to sell some real property for Capital Improvement Projects revenue. He feels it would be better to do a General Obligation bond when the rates are low, and take advantage of construction costs and sell the properties next year. Regarding the comment made to increase the road maintenance fund, that should be well funded, but due to the cost overage in last year's budget the Council's general contingency was quickly depleted. This year's general contingency may also be needed to meet serious needs. He mentioned the Avalanche Forecast Center, and would like to see some funding to assist the Avalanche Forecast Center for help with avalanche warnings. He echoes all comments made by the other Council members.

COUNCIL ITEMS(S):

4. **Permitted Land Use Matrix Commercial, Office, Hospital, Institutional Care or ID Zones**
Ordinance #08- 20 – amending Section 15-05-01, "Permitted Land Use Matrix by Commercial, Office, Hospital, Institutional Care or Industrial Zones" concerning Reception Centers. [P.H. held 5/13/08]

Motion: Bryant Anderson made a motion to adopt Ordinance #08-20 to amend Section 15-05-01, "Permitted Land Use Matrix by Commercial , Office, Hospital, Institutional Care of Industrial Zone".

Second: Steve Smith

Vote: Anderson - Yes, Tenney- Yes, Cowdell – Yes, Smith – Yes, Saville- Yes, Fairbanks- excused, McCandless – Yes

Motion Approved: 6 members in favor, 1 member absent

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5. **Interlocal Agreement: Home Investment Partnership Program for Federal Fiscal Years 2009- 2011**
Resolution #08-28 C - authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Salt Lake County and the Cities of Sandy, West Jordan, West Valley City and Taylorsville relating to the Home Investment Partnership Program for federal fiscal years 2009 through 2011.

Motion: Dennis Tenney made a motion to approve Resolution #08-28C authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Salt Lake County and the Cities of Sandy, West Jordan, West Valley City and Taylorsville relating to the Home Investment Partnership Program for federal fiscal years 2009 through 2011

Second: Linda Martinez Saville

Discussion:

Steve Smith asked what type of funding this is, and what it would be used for.

Mike Coulam explained that this is a Federal Block Grant program specifically targeted to Affordable Housing. He explained that the City has been given an allocation on a yearly basis, and that the City belongs to this consortium which includes these cities and the county, and works with the county housing authority to administer this program. He reported that a portion of the funding will go to Community Corporation of Utah for down payment assistance, another portion will go to Housing Services of Utah for housing rehabilitation.

Vote: Smith – Yes, Anderson- Yes, Fairbanks- excused, Cowdell- Yes, Tenney- Yes, Saville- Yes, McCandless- Yes

Motion Approved: 6 members in favor, 1 member absent

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6. **Interlocal Agreement: 1300 East Sandy ,Creek Road to Draper**
Resolution #08-39 C – authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) and Sandy City for construction reimbursement for the project at 1300 East Sandy, Creek Road to Draper, financed in part from federal-aid Highway Funds.

Discussion:

Rick Smith presented to the Council the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the Utah Department of Transportation and Sandy City.

Motion: Bryant Anderson made a motion to adopt Resolution #08-39C authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) and Sandy City for construction reimbursement for the project at 1300 East Sandy, Creek Road to Draper, financed in part from federal-aid Highway funds, as presented by staff.

Second: Linda Martinez Saville

Vote: Anderson - Yes, Tenney- Yes, Cowdell – Yes, Smith – Yes, Saville- Yes, Fairbanks-excused, McCandless – Yes

Motion Approved: 6 members in favor, 1 member absent.

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7. **Funds Transfer: Capital Projects Funds**
Resolution #08-35 C – increasing/reducing total appropriations and transferring funds within the Capital Projects Funds.

Motion: Dennis Tenney made a motion to adopt Resolution #08-35C increasing/reducing total appropriations and transferring funds within the Capital Projects Funds.
Second: Steve Smith
Vote: Smith – Yes, Anderson- Yes, Fairbanks- excused, Cowdell- Yes, Tenney- Yes, Saville- Yes, McCandless- Yes
Motion Approved: 6 members in favor, 1 member absent

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8. Funds Transfer: General Fund
Resolution #08-36 C – increasing/reducing total appropriations and transferring funds within the General Fund.

Motion: Steve Smith made a motion to adopt Resolution #08-36C increasing/reducing total appropriations and transferring funds within the General Fund as outlined by staff.
Second: Dennis Tenney
Vote: Anderson - Yes, Tenney- Yes, Cowdell – Yes, Smith – Yes, Saville- Yes, Fairbanks- excused , McCandless – Yes
Motion Approved: 6 members in favor, 1 member absent

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9. Increasing Total Appropriations within the Proprietary Funds
Resolution #08-37 C – increasing total appropriations within the Proprietary Funds.

Motion: Steve Smith made a motion to adopt Resolution #08-37C increasing total appropriations within the Proprietary Funds, as substituted and distributed previously.
Second: Dennis Tenney
Vote: Smith – Yes, Anderson- Yes, Fairbanks- excused, Cowdell- Yes, Tenney- Yes, Saville- Yes, McCandless- Yes
Motion Approved: 6 members in favor, 1 member absent

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10. Increasing Total Appropriations within the Debt Service (Section 108 Loan) Fund
Resolution #08-38 C – increasing total appropriations within the Debt Service (Section 108 Loan) Fund.

Motion: Bryant Anderson made a motion to adopt resolution #08-38C increasing total appropriations within the Debt Service (Section 108 Loan) Fund.
Second: Dennis Tenney
Vote: Anderson - Yes, Tenney- Yes, Cowdell – Yes, Smith – Yes, Saville- Yes, Fairbanks- excused, McCandless – Yes
Motion Approved: 6 members in favor, 1 member absent

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11. Increasing Total Appropriations within the Sandy Arts Guild Fund
Resolution #08-40 C – increasing total appropriations within the Sandy Arts Guild Fund.

Motion: Dennis Tenney made a motion to adopt Resolution #08-40 C increasing total appropriations within the Sandy Arts Guild Fund.
Second: Linda Martinez Saville
Vote: Smith – Yes, Anderson- Yes, Fairbanks- excused, Cowdell- Yes, Tenney- Yes, Saville- Yes, McCandless- Yes
Motion Approved: 6 members in favor, 1 member absent

****Adjourn Council, reconvene Planning**
Chairman McCandless reported that it was not necessary to reconvene into planning meeting.

MINUTES:

12. Approving the April 29, 2008 and May 13, 2008 City Council Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Dennis Tenney made a motion to approve Sandy City Council Meeting Minutes dated April

29, 2008 and May 13, 2008 as written.
Second: Bryant Anderson
Vote: The Council voted in the affirmative to the motion.
All in Favor.

[8:21:58 PM](#) **13. MAYOR'S REPORT**

Byron Jorgenson reported that the Mayor is out of town attending the ICSC Convention.

14. CAO'S REPORT

- **Byron Jorgenson** addressed the Fund Balance issue. He explained that in addition to the General Fund balance that the Council is aware of, there is also another \$4.9 million Fund Balance in the Water Fund. We have had several discussions as to what is the appropriate level for the fund balance. It depends on what can be afforded and what our risk tolerance is. He reported that they have worked on getting it to this point for a number of years, and agreed it would be nice to have it higher.

[8:25:48 PM](#) **Steve Smith** suggests holding a discussion in a planning meeting as Art Hunter has suggested earlier for purposes of exploring the issue further.

[8:26:22 PM](#) **15. COUNCIL OFFICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- **Phil Glenn** reported that Chairman McCandless has scheduled a LUDMA discussion next week with Jody Hoffman, the Land Use expert with the Utah league of Cities and Towns. The Planning Commission is invited to attend as well.
- **Mr. Glenn** handed out to the Council a briefing report of the duties of the Council and Council Office Staff, along with a calendar for the following week.

At approximately 8:27 p.m., Steve Smith made a motion to adjourn Council Meeting, motion seconded by Chris McCandless.

The content of the minutes is not intended, nor are they submitted, as a verbatim transcription of the meeting. These minutes are a brief overview of what occurred at the meeting.

Chris McCandless
Council Chairman

Wendy Densley
Council Office Executive Secretary

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